Dear Sir/Madam

I'm am more than concerned about the proposed Free Trade Agreement with the USA. How dare any government of this country put Australia at risk of being manipulated and taken advantage of by a larger world trader, all in the name of money or the hope of more money. Far to many Men and women have given their lives to keep Australia independant and free over the generations to warrant being sold down the girgler to dodgy trade agreements that at the end of the day give the other party power over us.

Australia doesn;t need this.

It's a bloody insult to our intelligence.

I don't care what fun and games Australian politicians get up to generally, but, what I do find is something like the FTA has been handled in a very secretive and underhanded way, attempting to keep the Australian public in the dark.

What sort of democratic way is that ??

It's no bloody good.

I think that Australian Politicians should be banned from watching American Movies about power, politics and war.

It should be manditory for all Australian politicians to brush up on all our struggles over the generations to understand the grass roots of what Australians stand for.

We certainly don't want to be more like America.

We don't want the value system.

We are Australian.

Yours Sincerely, Michael Brereton.

As Australians now is the crutial time to consider our country.

Where we live.

Who we are and

What we stand for.

Australia certainly doesnt need a FTA with the USA

that smacks of superior smugness, or total control over us.

The US as a trading partner is too big, to tricky and their track record of treatment to others who prefer to think for themselves, like Australians do, is not good.

Canada can tell us plenty of stories abouit trying to deal with the USA.

America governments talk with folked tongues, it's very difficult grasping the real meaning of what is actually said

in negotiations with this country.

It's to late after to respond with" But we thought?????"

The native American Indians found this out many years ago.

Keep a healthy relationship with the states, Yes.

This is all Australia needs.

We don't need to be locked into some corporate ratbagery

with no way out.

Don"t get me wrong I like the American people.

I think that if we're the clever country we can do better than a FTA with the USA.

Sincerely, Michael